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New Building Project Office

25X1 The Agency has long recognized the need to consolidate activities now scattered throughout the Washington metropolitan area in some [] leased facilities into a new building on the Headquarters compound in McLean. In addition, Agency growth over the past several years, as part of the rebuilding of the Intelligence Community, has resulted in the crowding of personnel, the proliferation of leased space, and the further decentralization of Agency Headquarters activities. The attendant increase in costs, decrease in security of Agency operations, responsiveness, management communications, and coordination of collection and production activities has placed an increasing drain on Agency resources and hampered operations.

25X1 A project to construct a [] square foot office building with associated parking and site improvements, which will consolidate most Agency activities now located throughout the Washington metropolitan area, has been underway since 1981. We have evaluated building alternatives, submitted studies justifying this new construction to the Office of Management and Budget, received appropriate approvals from the responsible government agencies and officials, selected a construction site based on a comprehensive examination of alternatives available, completed preliminary cost analyses, and conducted a nationwide solicitation to select an architectural-engineering firm for construction design. The most recent activity has seen the completion of the Schematic and Preliminary Designs, with National Capital Planning Commission approval of the Preliminary Design; the signing of an agreement with the Virginia Department of Highways and Transportation to design and construct needed highway improvements; and the formation of a citizens committee for advice on road improvements.

The next major milestone for this project will be the appropriation of construction money in the Agency's 1984 Budget. Provision of construction funds in 1983 will allow for a construction start in the spring of 1984 and project completion in August 1987.